Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Doug Hansen began his career with the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks in 1971, and after 36 years of faithful service, will retire on October 8, 2007; and,

Whereas, Doug is a native South Dakotan who obtained a bachelor's degree in zoology from The University of South Dakota and a master's degree in fisheries management at Iowa State University; and,

Whereas, In 1989, Doug was appointed director of the Division of Wildlife for the Department of Game, Fish and Parks; and,

Whereas, During Doug's tenure as director, he exemplified responsible and responsive public service by placing a strong emphasis on strategic thinking, effective communication and management, utilization of human dimension study and information, citizen participation, education, and customer service; and,

Whereas, Doug served on national boards and committees as chairman of the Fisheries and Water Resources Policy Committee for the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and vice-chairman of the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council, which included chairman of its Fisheries Issues Committee; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize Doug's contributions to the state of South Dakota during his many years of employment with state government:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 4, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, family, and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his years of outstanding public service.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Second Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State